

RAPID CITY FIRE & RESCUE PRESENTS

NATIONAL FIRE ACADEMY TRAINING

COMMAND AND CONTROL OF FIRE DEPARTMENT OPERATIONS AT TARGET HAZARDS

SEPTEMBER 13-18 AT RAPID CITY

15 seats remain for this 6-day course which is designed to introduce command officers to the complexities involved in commanding incidents in high-risk areas. Students are confronted with a number of fire and rescue incidents that include high life hazard, multiple exposure, and unusual occupancy risk considerations.

Students are introduced to advanced applications in the Incident Command System (ICS), command and control, decision-making, strategic and tactical considerations, pre-incident preparation, documentation, and post-incident analysis.

Several simulations and case studies are used to depict and review incidents in various types of target hazards. Some examples of these are penal institutions, bulk oil-storage facilities, nursing homes, colleges, chemical/agricultural manufacturing plants, and grain elevators. This course is very comprehensive and uses lecture, case study, simulation, and student participation as instructional methods. Instructors for the class are Gene Chantler and Gerald Ball.

Target Audience: Individuals or Company Officers who would have the responsibility to command incidents involving target hazard (high-risk fire and rescue) incidents, and other officers involved in the transfer of command to a higher level. Additionally, individuals who may have this responsibility and are upwardly mobile in their organizations may be considered. Certification in the form of a letter of recommendation from their fire department that they meet the selection criteria based on the need and organizational structure of the department being represented is required. Students should have experience in ICS and have completed a previous course on command. CEU's 4.2.

For more information contact Captain Mark Kirchgesler at Rapid City Fire and Rescue, 605-394-4180 or Mark.Kirchgesler@rcgov.org.

Students must complete a 75-5a form for the class which is available on the USFA web site (<http://www.usfa.dhs.gov/help/siteindex.shtm>). This needs to be done 30-45 days before the class. Captain Kirchgesler has information regarding this form and how it needs to be completed for this class. There is no cost to attend the training, but attendees must pay their own way for lodging/travel/per diem.

